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Warren on Nixon: 'A Cheat, a Liar'

The late Chief Justice Earl Warren is quoted as calling former President Nixon "a cheat, a liar and a crook," in an article appearing in the current issue of Esquire magazine.

The article is written by Alden Whitman of the New York Times. Whitman says that Warren often referred to his successor, Chief Justice Warren E. Burger, as "a horse's ass."

Whitman reports that Warren detested Nixon with "unjudicious choler."

According to Whitman, Warren told him that "Tricky is perhaps the most despicable President this nation has ever had. He was a cheat, a liar and a crook, and he brought my country, which I love, into disrepute. Even worse than abusing his office, he abused the American people."